

Agenda Item No 5 - Clerk's Report – 20 November 2023

Update on outstanding items:

Replacement of the bin attached to the brick bus shelter in Aston Cross: The new bin has been delivered and awaiting installation.

Community Speedwatch: Community speedwatch sessions have been undertaken at four different sites between Ashchurch and Aston Cross, with the help from members of the local community. Further speed watch sessions are being arranged including sessions for Fiddington.

Defining and preserving community identities: Clerk investigating and awaiting feedback from Gloucestershire County Council.

Parish defibrillators:

The refurbishment of the telephone box has now been completed.

Parish Noticeboards: Clerk organising new back board for Aston on Carrant. Refurbishment of recently removed The Meadows noticeboard ongoing.

B4079 Updates:

- Clerk organising on site meeting between ARPC, County Councillor Vernon Smith and local Highways Manager to discuss the road surface and safety concerns regarding junction between the B4079 and Pamington Lane
- Clerk has liaised with local businesses regarding access restrictions for heavy vehicles and has received a positive response and reassurance from Pamington Chicken Farm
- Clerk has received the below response regarding the planned repairs for Aston Cross bridge: *'Our repairs to Aston Cross Bridge have now been fully designed. Our construction partners (Ringway) have scheduled the repairs for Spring 2024. We recently completed some de-vegetation work at Aston Cross, which allowed our designers to view the bridge more clearly. We have secured the services of Collins Environmental Consultancy, who will ensure our repairs do not harm/disturb any local wildlife (e.g. water voles, bats etc).'*

Barleyfields green space to link with PROW and A46:

Clerk has contacted National Highways on multiple occasions with no response. Clerk has now raised an official complaint regarding this and received confirmation the issue is being dealt with. Awaiting response regarding Barleyfields green space to link with PROW and A46 option.

Application to the Levelling Up Fund:

Clerk liaising with County Councillor Vernon Smith regarding application for funds for Neighbourhood Watch and Community Speedwatch signage and purchase of speed gun and / or camera.

Ashchurch Rural Parish Council administration referencing:

Clerk investigating options

Details of items to be considered for the 2024/2025 budget:

Clerk creating draft budget

National Highways Stakeholder in A46:

Clerk has contacted National Highways to request ARPC are involved in future stakeholder route strategy engagement as they were not included during the August engagement regarding the Midlands South route.

Roadworks: (from <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/highways/roads/roadworks/>)

November / December:

Location: A46

Whom: National Highways

Traffic management: Traffic Signals

Date: 24 – 25 November

Works Descriptions: Drainage - A46 southbound Aston Cross to Ashchurch

Location: Homedowns

Whom: Gigaclear

Traffic management: Traffic Control (Stop/Go boards)

Date: 20 – 22 November

Location: Natton and Homedowns

Whom: Gloucestershire Highways

Traffic management: Closure

Date: 24 Nov – 4 Dec

Works Descriptions: Carriageway Resurfacing

Planning Decisions:

None

Agenda Item 6:

None